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Whaley, Johnstone Respond to Rumors

TO: The Campus Community
From: Ross S. Whaley

While we will continue to address the issues raised in the recent Comptroller's study, I'm pleased to share with you a letter from Chancellor Johnstone which is duplicated below. We have received similar support from students, alumni, friends of the College and the university community. I'm grateful for these comments which bolster my confidence that ESF will continue to be open.

Dear Ross:

Environmental Science and Forestry is a superb campus -- one of the very best of its kind in the nation -- and I believe that its future is both secure and bright.

A recent newspaper story attributing to the Comptroller a recommendation for the mergers or closures of several SUNY campuses was an inaccurate reading of a draft report on system costs that is itself so badly flawed as scarcely to warrant a response. I think it should suffice for now to say that neither the SUNY Trustees nor, to our knowledge, the Executive or Legislative branches of government are contemplating any such actions, and there is yet no evidence that such recommendations are being seriously considered by the Comptroller.

Yours,
D. Bruce Johnstone
Chancellor

Moon Wants to Keep All Headache Free To All Moon Library Users:

As you undoubtedly know, the library is now using an automated circulation system which is linked to the library's catalog (SUMMIT) which we share with the Syracuse University Libraries. This system utilizes bar codes which have been placed in library materials and the bar code on the patron's ID card.

The system is working well and we anticipate that things will be "very easy" once we are fully operational. Meanwhile as we work through this transition period we need you to help us and yourself by remembering the following:

1. All books are due at the end of the semester. (April 19, 1991)
2. Returning material to the library before that date, if you can, would be helpful.

Image and Communications: Part II Be Seriously Successful: Toot Your own Horn

by Rachel M. Woodworth

The following information was gained from a conference on Image and Communications sponsored by the National Seminars Group.

How to Be Taken Seriously

The three V's of communication are: 1) **Verbal** - word choice or vocabulary; 2) **Vocal** - how words are spoken, stress, emphasis, and inflection; and 3) **Visual** - how you look.

How important do you think each of these V's is to communication and to how others perceive you and your

3. If you wish to renew material which was charged out manually, we may ask you to leave the material overnight while we remove the circulation cards, affix barcodes to the books and renew the material on SUMMIT. If we are not too busy, we might be able to do this "while you wait".

4. If you have material which was charged out on SUMMIT (unfortunately you can't tell by looking at the book) a renewal will be very easy and will only take a few seconds!

5. If you have material charged out on SUMMIT and you don't return it or renew it by April 19, the system will generate an overdue and you will be fined! Save us all these headaches by returning or renewing on time.

Thanks for your patience.

message?

Surprisingly (to me), the verbal portion only accounts for 7% of your image, vocal is 38%, while the visual portion is a whopping 55%! What this means is that eye contact, facial expressions, body posture and mannerisms are much more important than what you actually say or how you say it. Also, 70% of the visual category is from the neck up. So don't worry about that scuff on your shoe! But do worry about the stain on your collar.

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Editor's Page

Remember That Wad Of Papers At The Registration Line?

What's all this? We have to sign that coupon or we can't register? We haven't had a rash of crime on campus, but that makes no difference. This overhaul of the Judicial Code is long overdue.

The original code is simply out of date. Since it was written in the mid 70's, its focus is protest oriented. The procedures for students are unclear -- a revised edition is necessary to clear the ambiguity of steps and times for action.

The distinctions regarding academic and personal misconduct cases are cloudy at best. Should the response to plagiarism be the same as that for theft? Students rights are not clarified anywhere in the old rules and regulations. Due process and protection must be offered.

Who has jurisdiction, SU or ESF? What if you are in a residence hall? On either Quad? It needs to be said that residence hall matters stay there, but if you do something elsewhere on the SU campus, you'll be dealt with here.

Syracuse University is completing the process of revision -- us doing the same allows for uniformity between the two systems.

The new code is "not heavy handed. It's procedurally fair, but not restrictive," says Dr. James Heffernan, Vice President for Student Affairs. In order to make sure this was the case, a three student sub-committee helped Dr. Heffernan with the initial ideas. These were then referred to the executive councils for USA and GSA for distribution, discussion, and criticism. The faculty saw it twice. The Board of Trustees, the Academic Council, Cabinet, Student Affairs Educational Services staff, and SU and SUN Legal Counsel also looked for potential conflicts in order to update this necessary document.

Yeah -- but what does it do? How does this code fill the gaps left by the old? Dr. Heffernan will host several Open Forums for clarifications: Friday, April 12, at noon; Monday, April 15, at 4:30 pm; and Tuesday, April 16, at noon. All sessions will be held in Nifkin Lounge.



Tilting At Windmills
Ed Servatius

Tie Pink Ribbons for the Diplomats

Yesterday I bumped into my neighbor Rocco Beno, who was tying a pink ribbon to the huge maple out front, right below the faded yellow ribbon that has stood with the troops since last November. I asked Rocco what the new ribbon was for, and Rocco said, "It's for our diplomats in the Persian Gulf." I looked at Rocco and said, "What a novel idea. Usually in war we tend to lose sight of the diplomatic corps - we're too caught up in the business of annihilating the enemy. When Congress voted to give President Bush the military option many of our representatives did so with the idea that it would strengthen the hands of our diplomats - although you don't hear much about that now. In fact most people probably couldn't name one ambassador to any of the countries in the Persian Gulf, although they probably know the name of virtually every military commander or media spokesman. What a fine thing to do - showing support for our diplomats in the Persian Gulf, especially since unlike the troops they never really get to come home."

Rocco shook his head with disgust and said, "Show my support - that's a laugh. I couldn't give one tinker's damn for the diplomats - never mind throw them a parade or buy one a beer. As far as I'm concerned, we should have the troops pack up all the diplomats and send them home - the sooner the better, before they make an even bigger mess of things. We should turn the embassies into guest houses and let the Holiday Inns manage them."

Looking puzzled I said, "I don't understand. Why this hostility towards our diplomats? Aren't they the ones that have to deal with the situation once the troops are gone, and aren't they the ones holding down the fort before the wars begin?"

Rocco shook his head again and

replied, "Obviously you've never read any American history. In every war America has ever fought, except for Vietnam which the diplomats never let us really fight, our troops went out there and won the war - epic hard-fought battles, smashing victories, and then come home to all the applause and parades they deserve, and do you know what the diplomats do? I'll tell you what they do. They go out and lose the peace! World War I, World War II, right on down the line. They all ought to be branded traitors and then hung from the nearest stump."

I said, "Isn't that kind of extreme? I mean they do have a very complicated job to do, and as you'll remember about the fight we had about your dogs and my lawn, negotiation is never easy. And despite what you're probably about to say, I didn't deliberately run over all five of your dogs."

"Yeah sure", said Rocco while staring sadly at the five collars around the maple, "But we don't need the diplomats, especially now with CNN. Heck, with all that satellite stuff we know what's going on at the same time as the president. In fact, having the stupid diplomats held hostage in Iran is what tied our hands from teaching those fanatics a lesson in the first place. All we need to do when we go in with the troops and clean house is to put up a huge billboard in every city that reads: **UNCLE SAM IS WATCHING YOU ... AND WE'LL BE BACK!** If they don't tow the mark then the decks are all cleared for action. That's what we need. It makes me sick to think how they're going to turn Desert Storm into Desert Swamp."

"But Rocco", I said, "that would mean having to stay always mobilized, since we'd have all our military commanders glued to the TV watching for the first signs of wrong actions around the world. We'd have

to maintain a standing army, and you know how the forefathers felt about that."

"I'll tell you how the forefathers felt about that", Rocco said getting angry, "That stuff about the standing army is a myth. The forefathers weren't against armies, as all those peaceniks would have you believe. They were against having armies standing around. As you'll recall, they had a War Department. They didn't have the military stuck in a Department of Defense clicking their heels until the fires are out of control. And who says the military commanders have to be the ones watching the TV's?"

I pondered that for a moment and said, "Well Rocco, maybe you've got something there. All across America we've got lots of folks who not only displayed a ribbon in support of the troops, but also stayed glued to their sets the whole time. If in war, why not in peace? We could create a peacetime volunteer force that could turn their living-rooms into the Frontiers of Freedom, and their TV's into our First Line of Defense. That way everyone could take part in a form of universal military service. There's just one catch though."

Smiling, Rocco said, "What's that?"

"Who's going to hold down the fort on Superbowl Sunday?"

Wild EArth:

A multimedia environmental presentation designed to agitate and intigate the wildness in us all.

Performed by ESF and SU students. Monday, April 15, 7:30 pm, 319 Marshall Hall. FREE.

Your student fee
howoing at the moon.

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Steven Bicks letter of April 3 expressing dissatisfaction with ESF administrators in general, and Public Safety in particular. I could not let his comments go without responding.

I certainly do not know the details of the incident he described, but from my experience and I am sure many other students, staff and faculty, it was surely an isolated one. I can't begin to count the times I have asked for help from Public Safety, like letting me in rooms when I've forgotten my keys, and have never met with the type of apathy that Mr. Bicks described. There are times when it takes an officer a while to respond to a request, or to check on my credentials, but that is just because they are doing their job, and I think doing it well. Consider that one of the Public Safety officers was awarded last year's Special Recognition Award from the student body and the Graduate Student Association sent a letter of appreciation to Public Safety for their service to the campus community. These would not have happened unless Public Safety officers are not only doing their job, but going beyond their job responsibilities.

Now for the broader picture. Again I am not sure of Mr. Bicks background, but I believe he is entirely wrong if he thinks the administration at ESF is unresponsive to student needs. I've had experience with six educational institutions as a student or teacher, and have been employed by three government agencies. Without a doubt, the administration at ESF is the most responsive I've worked with. Certainly there are times when they can not meet my needs or desires, but they then explain why. The proportion of smiles at Bray Hall is higher than any administrative building I've ever seen. I guess if your only exposure to the offices there have been registration and the business

office at the beginning of every semester you might not agree, but everyone is stressed at those times. Remember that although you've been standing in line for an hour, they've been facing that line all day! Try stopping in when they aren't tired of having to say "no" to requests that are beyond their control or for taking the blame about decisions that they did not make.

I have to say if any students

here at ESF think our campus is run by people who are "not helpful" you are in for an extremely rude awakening when you try to function in the real world. Appreciate what we have, remember that everyone has bad days and no one is perfect, and don't forget to say "thanks!"

Win Everham

Room With a View

G. Andrew Bartholomay

D'Amato, Security, and a Sunny Syracuse Day

Much to my dismay (and maybe to someone's pleasure) I've been suffering from writers block. It's not that I haven't wanted to write, it's more that the federal government hasn't done anything overtly stupid lately. It's tough writing political satire when the government won't cooperate. Thankfully, senator Alfonse D'Amato came through at the last minute. Senator D'Amato is calling for the US to resume the bombing of Iraq.

I've avoided using the term "warmonger" for 4 months, but I just can't help using it now. New York's jingoistic senator has shown himself to be a major warmonger. I can't even begin to speculate what purpose D'Amato is attempting to serve. Maybe he reasons that since he enjoyed the first US - Iraqi war so much, the second will be twice as much fun. I don't even think Bush is willing to buy this reasoning. But, then again, I never believed Bush would start a war in the first place. It's that same disbelief I had on Thursday, April 4 when I wandered onto the SU quad in a sunshine induced stupor.

Much to my amazement, a rock and roll band was belting out tunes in the afternoon. A band called Milo was jamming with some borrowed SU electricity (Now here's an activity I can really sink my inflated activity fee into) in front of Hendricks

Chapel. More than a thousand students were lying around or playing frisbee, listening to some good, free, unauthorized rock and roll.

Three songs into Milo's set, SU security showed up and literally pulled the plug on the band. Some nasty comments emanated from the crowd along with demeaning observations about the SU security officer's parentage, but spring fever overcame the hard feelings and frisbee play resumed.

I spoke to the members of Milo and discovered that they were more than happy to receive a little free publicity for their upcoming performance at Sutter's Mill. So being the media dupe that I am, I've obliged them. As for SU security, they told me they received some complaints about the noise and had to stop the music. I have to say, at least they had the decency to wait until the band finished it's last song before they pulled the plug.

Anyone waiting for me to tie Alfonse D'Amato and a band called Milo together, keep waiting. I have no idea what the two have to do with each other, unless D'Amato ordered SU security to stop the music. But, this conspiracy theory is a stretch, even for me. We'll just have to write all of this off to an overdose of sunshine on the first beautiful Syracuse day of 1991.

Official Yearbook Order Form

To: Faculty, Staff, and Graduate Students
 From: Empire Forester Yearbook staff
 Re: 1991 Yearbook Orders

We are currently in the process of compiling this years edition of the Empire Forester, ESF's student yearbook. In the book this year, we will focus on the hope of increased environmental awareness that has spanned the first 80 years of our school's history. In addition to this theme, the book will consist of a dedication to the multitude serving our country in the middle east and some of the more traditional events which we have all enjoyed so much over the past year.

This letter and form below are your opportunity to obtain a copy of this treasure for your personal library. To order the 1990 Empire forester, complete the form below and return it, with a check for the indicated amount, payable to SUNY CESF, attention: Dr. Joel Howard (Yearbook Order) in room 211 Marshall Hall. All orders should be completed by Wednesday April 24, 1991 for processing.

As always, we thank you for your support and hope you will enjoy this years edition of the Empire Forester.

the Empire Forester staff.

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 to be picked up on campus, at
 \$20.00 per book.

Total amount enclosed: _____

The 1991 Empire Forester will be forwarded to the above address, or may be picked up, in October of 1991.

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Toot Your Horn

Self-promotion is very important; you need to "toot your own horn!" Talk up the facts about yourself, not opinion. Tell people about the things you have done and accomplished. You should also carry yourself with pride; everyone is special and important in some way and you need to communicate this.

Finally, learning and education never ends (as much as some of us would like it to). By continuing your education in any way, you make yourself more marketable and valuable; i.e., you can ask your boss for more money.

Twenty Characteristics of a Successful Person

1. Has a high degree of integrity.
2. Demonstrates effective listening and communication skills.
3. Honors their own emotions.
4. Is creative.
5. Takes charge of their own life.
6. Is caring and sensitive to others' needs.
7. Gives praise and recognition to self.
8. Gives praise and recognition to others.
9. Solicits support for self.
10. Delegates work effectively.
11. Keeps a positive outlook.
12. Is open to change.
13. Good at problem-solving.
14. Is flexible.
15. Approaches tasks/situations prepared - their homework is done.
16. Communicates benefits not limitations.
17. Looks at the big picture - global thinking.
18. Understands timing.
19. Is intuitive.
20. Network, network, network!

**ESF UUP Chapter Reception
Assemblywoman
Joan K. Christensen**

Friday April 26, 1991
3:00 pm to 4:40 pm.
Rotunda, Second Floor
Bray Hall

REQUEST FOR ABSTRACTS

... of research, design, planning projects, etc....
of current ESF graduate students

To display at GSA Poster Session TGIT (Thank God It's Thursday)
on Thursday, April 18.

Cash \$\$\$ Awards will be given to students
based on poster originality and effective communication.

Please sign up in Room 110 Bray if you would like to display.

Sponsored by GSA.

Celebrate Earth Day: Dinner For A Small Planet

SANE/FREEZE of Central New York is hosting a "Dinner for a Small Planet", on Saturday, April 20 at 6:00 pm at Plymouth Church, 232 E. Onondaga St. in Syracuse. Join us for this vegetarian dinner catered by Margeaux of Cafe Margeaux, in celebration of Earth Day. Call 478-7442 for reservations. The cost is \$14.00 with reservations, or \$16.00 at the door. Children under 10 are half price, children under 4 free.

Attention Students:

Before you throw out that notebook from Dr. Clueless' class why not pull out the old tests and donate them to Small Stores? We'll even make it easy for you, you can do it on the installment plan. Between now and the end of the semester, there will be a box (marked donated tests) in the foyer of Moon Library. Just drop your old tests in there and we'll do the rest. We'll even remove your name from the top of test, so no one will know how well (or not so well) you did.

Small Stores will end regular operating hours on April 19, 1991. All borrowed test should be returned to Small Stores by then.

The Botany Club Presents:

A wildflower slide presentation
by Mary Stebbins

on Thursday April 11th
at 6:00 pm

in The Moon conference room.

Also,

There will be a wildflower hike
at Labrador Pond Unique Area

on Saturday April 13th

meet in the Moon parking lot
at 9:30 am to car pool

come to the slide presentation
on Thursday to find out more.

**Last Chance: you
could win up to \$150!**

We have a total of \$150 to give away to the First through Third place winners in art, short story, and poetry categories of our annual

Creativity Contest

(i.e. \$25 per first place, \$15 for second, \$10 for third). All prizes will be awarded! Please submit your piece with a way to reach you, and your name legibly written (we want to make sure the spelling is right for the checks!) Deadline: 4 pm, Wednesday April 10. The Knothole staff will serve as judges. Winners will be announced in the April 24 edition of the *Knothole*.

Preview Environmental Effects Of A Gulf War

Editor's Note: This preview came from over our bitnet system. Ken Davidson retrieved it, and asked us to print it just for the sake of comparison. Enjoy.

by John M. Miller

Environmental scientists and organizations are raising dire predictions of environmental catastrophe from a war in the Gulf. At a scientific symposium in London on January 2 and a press conference in New York a week later, a global team of scientists warn that "the environmental cost of such a war is likely to outstrip all other costs, great though these will be."

"Oil fires and oil contamination are the most serious environmental hazards of a war in the Gulf," says a statement initiated by Dr. Frank Barnaby, a physicist; Dr. Abdullah Toukan, science advisor to King Hussein of Jordan; and Dr. John Cox, a British environmental engineer. The group recently wrote to the Director of the United Nations Environmental Program expressing their concerns and urging it to "act with haste" on what they call an emergency situation.

The Iraqis have said they have mined Kuwait's oil wells, threatening to blow them up if attacked. The U.S. has warned it will target Iraq's economic infrastructure, including its oil resources, in a war. Dr. Toukan observes that this will be the first war where "oil will be used as a strategic weapon."

Smoke, soot and chemicals produced by the burning of oil fields and facilities could cause regional or global cooling, in essence a small-scale "nuclear winter." Acid rain and the tearing of the ozone layer are other concerns. Agriculture far away as India could be affected by the smoke and its monsoons disrupted. The result could be mass starvation.

Kuwait's 365 active oil wells produce two to three million barrels of oil a day. Another 400, though capped, are capable of producing oil. Once surface controls are destroyed, the oil would flow much faster from most of these wells, releasing far more oil than under production conditions. No one knows how long it would take to put out hundreds of wells burning at once. According to Dr. Cox, there are only four or five crews in the world experienced in putting out oil well fires, and one well fire, under ideal conditions, can take weeks to extinguish. Experts estimate that it could take at least a year to put out all the fires.

In the meantime, the burning of three million or more barrels of oil per day would emit thousands of tons of soot causing a noticeable cooling in the region. Depending on the heat of the fire, the smoke could rise to the upper atmosphere causing global effects. Dr. Paul Crutzen, an atmospheric scientist at Germany's Max Planck Institute for Chemistry, predicts that 100 days of burning would produce a cloud of smoke covering half the Northern Hemisphere, lasting months if not years. The cloud would threaten agricultural production.

Burning five million barrel of oil a day would increase world emissions of carbon dioxide, the major greenhouse gas, by 10%. Dr. Toukan, noting that the world has agreed to cut emissions of

CO₂ by 60%, said instead in a Gulf War, "we will be moving backwards."

Sulphur and nitrogen oxides will produce acid rain "on a scale not experienced by any country in the world," according to Dr. Cox. Soot, and nitrogen oxides, if they travel high enough, can destroy the ozone "in the most catastrophic and worst case scenario... We would then have an ozone hole affecting the whole equatorial region. Brazil and Mexico could well be affected by the removal of the ultraviolet protective layer." Ozone depletion can cause increased cancers and cataracts from exposure to ultraviolet light.

Dr. Carl Sagan says that an additional hazard from the destruction of oil facilities comes from the pyrotoxins, poisons made from the burning of plastics and petroleum products. When petrochemicals burn, they produce "poison gases which kill people in seconds." The products include "cyanide, furans, PCBs; a witch's brew of toxic gases and liquid droplets" that could remain in the atmosphere.

OIL SPILLS

Oil spills are another major environmental concern. The Gulf is a shallow and relatively enclosed sea. Its currents would carry any spilled oil toward the shores of Saudi Arabia and nearby nations, threatening desalination plants used to make fresh water.

The destruction of the several oil wells in the Nowruz field during the Iran-Iraq War released more than half a million barrels of crude oil, three times the amount spilled by the Exxon Valdez. Oil spills during that war killed large numbers of birds, fish, sea turtles, dolphin, and the endangered dugong. The commercial and shrimp fisheries were affected, as were coral reefs. Eight times or more oil would flow directly into the Gulf as a result of a wider war, according to experts.

CHEMICAL AND NUCLEAR HAZARDS

The use of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons or the destruction of the facilities that produce them would cause major environmental reverberations long after a war. While the nerve gases are volatile and would dissipate within hours or days, mustard gas can be quite persistent. Both are believed to have been stockpiled by Iraq. Destruction of chemical weapon storage and production facilities could release the chemicals into the surrounding area with deadly results.

Dr. Matthew Meselson, an expert on the chemical weapons and warfare at Harvard University, said that "if there was a temperature inversion and there was a big release of nerve agent, and a slow wind driving that over a population center... you would kill everything from insects on up that doesn't have a gas mask."

Unexploded chemical weapons and other bombs could also cause problems years later. German mustard gas shells, lobbed during World War I, are still being discovered in Belgium. Unexploded conventional ordnance is still a major problem in Vietnam, sending numerous children

and farmers to the hospital, 15 years after that war.

The incomplete burning of nerve agents and mustard gas would leave toxic byproducts, including dioxins, which persist in the environment, according to Dr. Wayne Landis, Director of the Institute of Environmental Toxicology at Western Washington University.

Destruction of nuclear facilities or weapons, even if they are never exploded, would release an array of radioactive substances. Israel has a major nuclear complex at Dimona; Iraq has small research reactors; and the U.S., Britain and France have up to 700 nuclear weapons aboard ships, several of which are nuclear-powered. Additional U.S. nuclear weapons are stored in Turkey. Dan Hirsch, an expert on nuclear issues, with the Committee to Bridge the Gap in Los Angeles, CA, believes that radioactivity from a conventional attack on a reactor "would be dispersed quite widely. I think it's very hard to scrape off thousands of square miles, and what do you do with the stuff once it is scraped off?"

Even, if war never breaks out extensive environmental damage has already been done. The more than one million troops now deployed in the Gulf deserts have already disrupted their delicate ecosystems. Armies produce prodigious amounts of garbage, toxic waste and sewage. It is unlikely that any care has been taken to insure that these are being disposed of properly.

With troops dug in on both sides of the border, plants and wildlife have been disturbed and destroyed. John Cloudsley-Thompson, a London-based biologist and expert on the impact of war on deserts, says that "Deserts are very fragile environments. Therefore, any movement -- particularly of armored and heavy vehicles -- cuts through the top surface and then erosion will set in and so the effects on the environment will last for centuries. Increased dust is one result from the movement of heavy vehicles." With little water available, deserts can take years to recover. Tank tracks from World War II battles in North Africa are still visible.

Cloudsley-Thompson, a soldier in the British tank corps in North Africa during World War II, says that in that war "nobody knew about the environment at all. It wasn't really considered, but it was obvious afterwards."

ENVIRONMENTALISTS SPEAK OUT

Scientists are not the only environmentalist who have expressed concern. While most major environmental groups have commented on the energy policy implications of the Persian Gulf crisis, only a few have had anything to say about the effects of the fighting and buildup. Groups have seized the opportunity to press for energy conservation and urged that any oil shortage not be used as an excuse to step up drilling in environmentally sensitive areas or to expand nuclear power.

Ken Bossong, Director of Public Citizen's Critical Mass Energy Project in Washington,

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FREE FOOD!!!

International Potluck Dinner

Friday, April 12

4 - 7 pm

Nifkin Lounge

Foods of all nations are welcome!!!

Each participant
should make enough
of their "delicacy"
for about 10 people.
(Come even if all you can bring is yourself!!)

Tables will be set up in Nifkin Lounge,
so an approximate number of those
participating is needed! You must sign up in 110 Bray prior to
Wednesday, April 10.

If you have questions,
please contact
Suzie Mookerjee (445-1651)

FREE FOOD!!!

P.S.
"American" food
is more than welcome
popcorn, pie, cake, salads,
pizza, lasagna, hamburgers
your own concoction

--
anything you would like
to share!!

FREE FOOD!!!

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DC, says that while the administration is currently developing a National Energy Strategy, its "solutions are, ironically, to continue and expand our dependence on oil rather than trying to reduce it. Rather than trying to conserve oil, their solutions is to drill more domestically...ending up with a scenario where you are causing serious environmental damage, raising energy prices across the board and worsening problems of inflation. Perhaps most ironically, by doing so you are making oil imports more attractive, because imported oil is cheaper than the domestic options the administration is considering."

An international group of environmentalists have recently issued a "Call to Action" to fellow activists. The Call was initiated by two

Bay Area groups with extensive experience analyzing the environmental impact of militarism: the Arms Control Resource Center and the Political Ecology Group, a spin off from the Environmental Project on Central America.

The call, which urges the withdrawal of all foreign and occupying military powers in the Gulf, says "Recent experiences in Vietnam, Central America, Afghanistan and the Iran-Iraq war all clearly point to the grave ecological consequences of military build-up and warfare -- consequences that affect people and the environment that sustains them for generation." It adds that it is "imperative that the environmental impacts of conflict be taken into account" and demands that the UN and Congress look at the environmental implications of war and the military build up. It

urges fellow eco-activists to participate in anti-war and peace activities.

Initial endorsers of the call include Friends of the Earth, Environmental Action, National Toxics Campaign, Earth Island Institute, Student Environmental Action Coalition, Nicaraguan Environmental Movement, the Rainforest Action Network and Britain's Ecologist Magazine.

Contact: The International Clearinghouse on the Military and the Environment/ARC, PO Box 150753, Brooklyn, NY 11215; (718) 788-6071, or the Global Environmental Alliance for Peace in the Persian gulf, 942 Market Street #202, San Francisco, CA 94102; (415) 397-1452.

The Yellow Violet

by William Cullen Bryant

When beechen buds begin to swell,
And woods the blue-bird's warble know,
The yellow violet's modest bell
Peeps from the last year's leaves below.

Ere russet fields their green resume,
Sweet flower, I love, in forest bare,
To meet thee, when thy faint perfume
Alone is in the virgin air.

Of all her train, the hands of Spring
First plant thee in the watery mould,
And I have seen thee blossoming
Beside the snow-bank's edges cold.

Thy parent sun, who bade the view
Pale skies, and chilling moisture sip,
Has bathed thee in his own bright hue,
And streaked with jet thy glowing lip.

Yet slight thy form, and low thy seat,
And earthward bent thy gentle eye,
Unapt the passing view to meet,
When loftier flowers are flaunting nigh.

Oft, in the sunless April day,
Thy early smile has stayed my walk;
But midst the gorgeous blooms of May,
I passed thee on thy humble stalk.

So they, who climb to wealth, forget
The friends in darker fortunes tried.
I copied them - but I regret
That I should ape the ways of pride.

And when again the genial hour
Awakes the painted tribes of light,
I'll not o'erlook the modest flower
That made the woods of April bright.

From Woodnotes II

By Ralph Waldo Emerson
submitted by Rob Barber

Come to me,
Quoth the pine tree,
I am the giver of honor.
Speak not thy speech my boughs among;
Put off they years, wash in the breeze;
My hours are peaceful centuries.
Talk no more with feeble tongue;
No more the fool of space and time,
Come weave with mine a nobler rhyme.
Come, lay thee in my soothing shade,
And heal the hurts which sin has made.
I see thee in the crowd alone;
I will be thy companion.
Whoso walks in solitude
And inhabiteth the wood,
Choosing light, wave, rock and bird,
Before the money-loving herd,
Into that forester shall pass,
From these companions, power and grace.
On him the light of star and moon
Shall fall with purer radiance down;
All constellations of the sky
Shed their virtue through his eye.
He shall be happy wilst he wooes,
Muse-born daughter of the Muse.
But if with gold she bind her hair,
Or deck her breast with diamond,
Take off thine eyes, thine heart forbear,
Though thy lie alone on the ground.

John Says:

24 Days and Wakeup!!!

Rachel Says:

Get those reports done, start packing those boxes, and look here next week for some very, very, very important information for you lucky graduating seniors!

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, April 10

Knothole Meeting. Creativity Contest Judging, Humor Issue brainstorming. 5 pm. 22 Bray.

Wildlife Society. Last Meeting of the Year. Liz Balko will show slides of Madagascat wildlife and habitats, and talk about conservation problems and solutions of the area and her research of the black and white Rough Lemur.

Energy Conservation Teach-In. 7 pm, 115 Hall of Languages. Sponsored by NYPIRG and GSO.

Thursday, April 11

Ice Cream Social. On the quad if it is nice, otherwise in Marshall Foyer. Noon - 3:00.

Friday, April 12

International Potluck Dinner. 4 - 7 pm. Nifkin Lounge. Please contact Suzie Mookerjee (445-1651) if interested. **FREE FOOD FOR ALL!!!!**

Sunday, April 14

SAF Annual Spring Barbecue. Heiberg Forest Pavilion. 11:00 - 3:00. See Tony Woods, Rachel Woodworth, Heather Engelman, Paul O'Connor, Kelly Porter.... for tickets and information.

Monday, April 15

The Three R's vs. Incineration. Debate at 7:30 pm in Marshall Auditorium.

Tuesday, April 16

SAF Meeting. Pizza! 6:30 PM, 319 Marshall Hall.

Wednesday, April 17

"The Last Great Wilderness" - a slide presentation exploring Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, 7:00 pm in Marshall Auditorium.

Faculty of Forestry Gripe Session. All Duals and RMs should plan on speaking their minds. 4 pm, 111 Marshall.

Friday, April 19

Earth Day Celebration. 3:00 'til whenever - ON THE QUAD, Music, Food, the Earth

A Real DANCE! 8:00pm 'til 12:00 or so - Shakin' the boot in Nifkin, All nite long! Let's get BUSY !! Refreshments, DJ, etc.

Queen of the Universe
by Sam Hurt

